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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Akihiro FUNAKOSHI et al.

Title:

A PREVENTIVE OR THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR

PANCREATITIS COMPRISING IL-6 ANTAGONIST AS AN

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT** 

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action dated January 25, 2008 finally rejecting Claims 14, 16-23, 25, and 26.

Γ	1	Applicant	claims	small	entity	status.
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[X] Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X] Notice of Appeal Fee

[ X ]To be paid as detailed below

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